

COURT DECISION HELPS THE CAUSE

Many Counties Have Delayed Action for Opinion on Ward Law.

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD

Unprecedented Activity Is Now Promised in Building of Highways.

The opinion of the Supreme Court on the Ward law was another step towards the movement for good roads in this State. Not only were \$222,000 worth of good roads bonds voted awaiting the opinion of the court on the constitutionality of the law, but several counties which are anxious to have elections to vote on bond issues have been waiting for the decision of the court before holding election.

Dinwiddie and Charlotte counties, which voted for bond issues for road improvement under this law, will now market their bonds in order to start the work.

Senator Lassiter, vice-president of the Virginia Good Roads Association, and Captain P. St. Julien Wilson, State Highway Commissioner, have been on the "fence" awaiting the decision of the court. They will now advocate counties holding election under the Ward law for road improvement.

In spite of the fact that the constitutionality of the Ward law held the centre of the stage, the Good Roads Association has been busy on the hustings, and several local associations were formed during the past week, and the campaign of education was pushed as rapidly as possible.

Many Meetings Held. Senator Lassiter spoke at the following places during the past week: Dinwiddie Courthouse, Petersburg, on March 15, in reference to the improvement of the Petersburg Turnpike, to the citizens of Chesterfield county and on the next night to the citizens of Petersburg in reference to the improvement of three roads leading into Petersburg.

Yesterday he spoke in Lunenburg county, where a local association was formed, and has booked the following engagements: Houston, March 22; Danville, March 23; Pinecastle, March 24; Manassas, March 27; Orange, March 28; Amelia, April 3; Accomac county, April 5 and 6; Northampton county, April 7 and 8.

Senator Lassiter will continue his tour of the State during the week which he will conduct his campaign for the office until after the farmers are through planting, and as soon as the barbecue and fair season starts he will again take the stump, provided the treasury of the association will permit the expense.

Secretary Harwood and his associates are conducting the campaign for membership throughout the State, and they have set the mark at 10,000 members, allowing 100 for each county in the State.

Will Give Prestige. A membership in this size will give the association an unusual amount of prestige, and the next Legislature, when the legislative committee makes known its wants of additional legislation.

Both the campaign for membership and the preparation of literature in reference to the objects of the association and the legislation it will seek has been seriously handicapped, owing to the lack of funds. While \$5,500 was pledged on the floor of the convention, less than 10 per cent of this amount has been turned in to the treasurer. Unless the pledges are fulfilled, the association will have to abandon its plans.

Boy Is Injured. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BURLINGTON, N. C., March 20.—The six-year-old son of Glenn Hall, while attempting to cross the tracks of the passenger station here yesterday in front of a moving train was knocked from the track by the engine and seriously injured. He was badly bruised about the head, though it is now thought the accident will not result fatally.

Is it a full suit of furniture you want?

Or do you prefer a Brass Bed, Dresser, Chiffonier and Dressing Table carefully matched?

All that we ask is that you see our varied line of rich spring furniture before you buy.

You will find so many desirable patterns here, and such reasonable prices that we will gladly abide by your decision.

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Just in, another large shipment of F. A. Whitney Carriages, Go-Carts, Perambulators and Folders.

Likewise—
Automatic and McCray Refrigerators

Are here ready for you. They are the best.

Bon Air Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BON AIR, VA., March 20.—Mrs. Victor, of Granite, entertained several of the Bon Air women at an informal afternoon tea last Friday. Among those present were Mesdames Polk Miller, T. P. L. Cooke, E. B. McClellan, Douglas Wherry, Allan Foxworth, and Misses Miller, Hazen, Moulton, Cooke and Cooke.

Among the week-end guests in the home of Mrs. T. P. L. Cooke last week were John Cringan, Misses Mary and Happy Cringan, Mrs. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Fairleigh Cooke, Misses Archer, Glenn and Talcott, and Messrs. McDonald, Darnley and Harrison. Wilson Meek spent Sunday with Harry Adams.

Miss Carrie Moore was the guest for a few days last week of Mrs. Douglas Wherry, at "Coralland". Mr. and Mrs. Mac Rucker and Little Miss Katherine Rucker, of Buena Vista, spent several days last week with Mrs. Albert Williams. Mrs. Edwin Pinkerton, of Baltimore, Md., is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. McClellan.

Miss Augusta Barfield, of Richmond, was the guest recently of Miss Cooke. Mrs. Leroy Flippin and Little daughter, who have been on a visit to Mrs. Allan Adams.

Pargason, left for their home, in Powhatan, on Monday. Mrs. Tritton, of Richmond, and Mrs. Thomas Buffin, of Powhatan, were guests Friday of Mrs. Pargason. E. P. Cox, and Little Edwin Cox were guests Sunday of J. B. Cox, Jr., at "Glen-Lloyd". Misses Made Montgomery, Nell Sutton and Gilmore and Mrs. Charles Howe were guests last week of Miss Bertha Adamson.

Highland Springs Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VA., March 20.—A mass-meeting of the taxpayers in Seven Pines school district was held Friday evening for the purpose of organizing a school improvement league. W. A. Shadlock, superintendent of schools of Henrico county, and J. B. Howden, secretary of the school board of Fairfax District, made addresses. The purpose of the School Improvement League is to raise money to purchase a piano for the Seven Pines School, and also to beautify the grounds.

The "hammock supper" given on the evening of St. Patrick's Day, "Reddy-dale," the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy S. Read, was largely attended.

Julian Dunner, who lived near New Bridge, has recently moved his family to Richmond.

Miss Annie Lee Kenny, of Richmond, was a recent visitor of Miss Minnie Horton, at "Bellevue," her home, on Cedar Avenue.

Miss Mary Alwood, of Bon Air, is the guest of Mrs. D. A. Smith.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church of Highland Springs met the first of the week with Mrs. Oliver Miller.

Mrs. J. W. Bingley and little granddaughter, Miss Clara Throckmorton, have returned from a visit with friends and relatives in Portsmouth.

Fred Rose, of Henric, was a recent guest of H. H. Dierholt, on Fern Avenue. The Ladies Guild of St. Matthew's Mission, met with Mrs. G. B. Cooke Thursday afternoon, at "Sunnydale," her home, on Cedar Avenue.

Ray Crowell has recovered from his severe attack of grip, which he contracted while in Washington during the inauguration.

Anton Kremarz has returned from a visit with friends in Fredericksburg; he also visited his sister, Mrs. Graffain, at Graham Park, Dumfries.

Buena Vista Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BUENA VISTA, VA., March 20.—Preston Newland, who was operated on in Richmond recently, is improving.

Miss Vixie Cunningham returned Monday from a visit to Margaret Witt, in Lexington, and to Mrs. George Morris, at South River, where she attended a large dance given by Hubert Davidson.

John D. Cunningham was a week-end guest of Mr. Fletcher, at Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. Rucker, who took their little daughter, Katharine, to Newport News for a slight operation, have returned with Katharine much improved.

Miss Lucy Glasgow, of South River, was the guest of Mrs. W. T. Paxton Monday to attend the Dickinson-Meriwether wedding.

Mrs. Susan Rucker Smith and Mrs. Edward Watson, who have been visiting Dr. H. Rucker, will leave Thursday for their home at Milborne.

Mrs. Lucy Sneed Rucker is ill at her son's residence, in Clifton Forge.

Mrs. Belle Brubeck, who has been sick for several weeks, is improving.

Afton Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] AFTON, VA., March 20.—Miss Markley, of Lexington, is visiting the Misses Hawthorne.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gordon, of New York, are stopping at the Afton House. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon are driving through Virginia, combining business with pleasure. They may locate here if they find a home to suit them.

Donaldson Brown, of Baltimore, is a guest at Elsham.

Mrs. Guy Corbett and Mrs. J. Wilcox Brown were visitors in Charlottesville this week.

J. R. Haden, of Palmyra, paid Afton a visit last week.

Lacy Hall, of Ashland, is spending some time at his sister's home, near Afton.

Dr. R. H. Smith, of Waynesboro, is visiting his sister, Mrs. John Wynne.

Mr. Crowe, of Staunton, was a guest at the Afton House this week.

Rev. Mr. Billings, pastor of Hebron Church, tendered his resignation on Sunday, but the congregation unanimously asked that he reconsider the matter. His work at this church and Adell, his other charge, has been very successful, and he is greatly loved by his people.

Powhatan Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] POWHATAN, VA., March 20.—Mrs. Austin Lush and children, of Amelia, are visiting relatives near this place.

Dr. M. B. Rudd, of Richmond, visited friends in the village this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Goode, of Richmond, visited relatives in this village this week.

Rev. Frank Stringfellow, of this place, is visiting in Richmond.

Miss Mattie Thompson, of Amelia, visited relatives in the village this week.

Paul Flanagan, of Richmond, visited his mother here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burton visited relatives near Claville Sunday.

Miss Stella Rodd, of Subletta, visited relatives near Belona Saturday.

Robert Flanagan, who has been in the hospital for several weeks, is able to be out again.

Rev. H. C. Ragland, of Gooseland, preached at the Day Memorial Baptist Church in the village last Sunday.

Brandy Station Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BRANDY STATION, VA., March 20.—W. W. Mace, proprietor of the Brandy Station Stock Farm, near Brandy, is recovering from his serious accident of a week ago, caused by a horse jumping over a fence.

Mrs. C. A. Humphries, who has been ill, is now convalescent.

W. J. Parr, of Charlottesville, returned home this week from a visit to Brandy and Remington.

Andrew Faulkner, manager of the L. C. Abbott Construction Company, of Brandy Station, left Friday for Emory and Henry College, Washington county, Va., to commence work on the new addition to the college.

Mr. and Mrs. Greener Neal, of Richmond, left for their home last week.

Ryan Rixey, of Culpeper, was a guest of Granville Coleman Friday.

Toano Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] TOANO, VA., March 20.—C. C. Branch was in Richmond Tuesday on business.

Miss Fannie Armstrong Marston is visiting friends in Richmond this week.

Miss Beattie Lamb is visiting E. T. Lamb, of Norfolk.

A large number of the Toano people attended the play, "District School," given by local talent in local school Monday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock, and a delightful evening was spent by all present.

Miss Ellen Douglas Garret, of Poplar Grove, Mathews county, visited Miss Clara Pettit for a few days last week.

Mrs. Willie Gray Shepherd and her daughter, Miss Sally, have returned from a few weeks' stay in Atlanta.

Miss Goodloe is visiting her aunt, Mrs. William Schlar.

Mrs. Rokee, of North Carolina, is with her sister, Mrs. C. B. Haden.

Miss McGee is the guest of Mrs. James O. Shepherd.

Taylorsville Social News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] TAYLORSVILLE, VA., March 20.—The school teachers of Hanover held their third meeting at Dover Sunday in Friday. A large number of teachers were present.

The speeches of Rev. W. A. Brimwell and A. H. Chandler were much enjoyed.

Misses Anna Pollard, of Richmond; Alma Blandin, of Moody; Maude Moody and Adeline Sims, of Hottelton, were recent guests of Miss Mary Baker.

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New Suits, Dresses, Skirts, &c

For the Easter Season: Make Your Selections Now

Plain Tailored Suits, Empire Three-Piece Suits, One-Piece Directoire Gowns, Princess Frocks, &c.

Fashion's favorites are here in greater numbers than during any previous season.

Our business this spring is the greatest by far that we have ever had.

May we suggest that you select your Spring Costume this week.

The very cream of all that's new is here, & while our Suits are practically custom-made in style & fit, yet there may be some slight alterations needed.

By purchasing now you'll give us ample time in which to do this work.



\$24.50

Hard Finish Worsted Suits, in old rose, pale blue & gray, with little invisible black stripes; strictly tailored, 36-inch coats, lined with satin; slashed back. Gored skirt, trimmed with butrons in front. A very good value at \$17.75

Light-Weight Worsted Suits, in old rose, reseda, black & royal blue; 36-inch four-button cutaway coat, lined with good satin; sides and back slashed; gored skirt, trimmed with buttons. One of the greatest values we've ever had in Spring Suits for \$21.50

Self stripe Serge Suits in a beautiful shade of raspberry, semi-fitting pointed, coats 3-button effects; shawl collar trimmed with satin and braid, cuffs trimmed with satin and braid to match; lined with good satin, gored skirt with panel front, trimmed with buttons. \$27.50

Silk Petticoats, \$4.98

Messalines, in white, blue, pink, wisteria, green, gray & black—the newest thing in this sort, clinging silk to wear with Directoire gowns. We know you'll be pleased with these underskirts. Extra Heavy Black Taffeta Petticoats, full flare, bands on bottom of skirt, deep drop ruffle; regular & extra sizes, with no extra charge for extra sizes; special \$4.98

Foulard Silk Dresses, \$12.95

One-piece Dresses, in figured foulards—the silk that will lead for spring; square and V-shape yokes of lace and baby Irish, long sleeves, deep train; sizes 34 to 40; blues, tans & greens, \$12.95.

Black Voile Skirts

The best quality French Voile, cut by experts & exceptionally well tailored. Style is predominant in these skirts. One model has thirteen gores, trimmed with wide satin bands around the bottom \$8.95 Another handsome skirt is made with thirteen gores, with embroidered panels beginning near the bottom of skirt in front & extending up the sides. This is a beauty at \$10.00

Silks for the Easter Gown

Not only for Easter, but for general spring & summer wear. The wanted Silks are here—the desirable kinds. The reputation we made years ago as being leaders in the Silk business of Richmond is more than sustained by this season's showings. While Foulards lead for 1909 there are thousands of people buying other Silks, and this store caters to everybody. In addition to the Foulards, Mirage & other rough weaves we're mentioning to-day some very superior values in Black Silks.

Satin Foulards, 59c & 69c yard & Cheney's Spot Proof Foulards, 85c yard.

Most beautiful combinations you've ever seen of small & large figures & shadow effects. Old rose, green, blue, etc.—strikingly strong values.

Printed Pongees, 39c & 59c yard—all the new color effects.

Mirage Silks, 24 inches wide, in stone green, reseda, jasper, navy, old rose, silver, tan, amethyst & ashes of rose, silver, yard \$1.25

Burlap Silk is a rough Shantung, 24 inches wide, in black & all the new colors. It's a splendid specimen of the new spring weaves, yard \$1.00

Our Gold Standard Black Taffeta, 35 inches wide, is one of the "wonder" values in the silk store; heavy quality & all pure silk, yard \$1.00

Extra quality Black Taffeta, 35 inches wide, \$1.25 yard. "Premier" Black Taffeta is an unusually heavy silk, 35 inches wide, that we're offering for, yard \$1.35

Black Swiss Habutai is always in demand.

We can offer two special values just now in the genuine article, 24 & 25 inches wide, yard only 75c & \$1.00

Imported Black Messaline, very lustrous, yard, 75c & \$1.00

Black Lumineaux, 19 inches wide, yard 69c

Symphoni Cloth, A New Dress Goods

A very lustrous light weight satin face cloth for directoire gowns, worth at least \$1.50 yard. It's 40 inches wide and one of the handsomest pieces of cloth in the store. \$1.25 yard

Canard blue, green, dark old rose, gray and pink, \$1.25 yard. It's safe to say that whatever you see on the Miller & Rhoads counters and shelves is correct for the season's wear.

Among other satin-finished goods are:

Satin Soleil, in wisteria, old rose, peacock & other half-tones—The 48-inch Cloth is \$1.00 yard. The 44-inch Cloth is \$1.25 yard.

Satin Prunellas are equally as much in favor. They're in the same new shades, 44 inches wide, yard \$1.25

Shepherd's Checks are also good. You can get a splendid assortment of fabrics in various sizes, checks of white with green, navy or black, yard wide, \$1.00

Better quality cloth in checks of black & white—36 inches wide, \$1.00 yard. 44 inches wide, \$1.25 yard.

Our Worsteds Suitings, in all the new shades, are selling rapidly. Women consider them unusual values at these prices—

46 inches wide, \$1.00 yard. 48 inches wide, \$1.25 yard. 50 inches wide, \$1.50 yard.

Suitings, in cream grounds, with black stripes, are much in demand this season. We'd like you to look at some especially handsome fabrics we have in all kinds of black stripes, 75c, \$1 & \$1.25 yard.

Not least among the good values in Dress Goods are our 40-inch Black Voiles at 75c, \$1 & \$1.25 yard.

Thin, sheer summer black goods that'll give you perfect satisfaction.

The "Murray" Tie



\$5.00

A New Shoe for Women

which appeals to people who appreciate exclusive style in high grade footwear. Two-eyelid tie, made over a pump last, low cut & short front; Black Buck & Ooze Calf, in taupe—the newest shade of gray. One of the swell things in footwear, for which this shoe store is noted.

Laces!

A Remarkable Sale

Values like these will bring crowds to Miller & Rhoads' tomorrow. Not only are prices lower than usual, but there's a collection of very dainty effects newly imported—the kind that people want.

Hand-made Neckwear is very fashionable.

We've a splendid assortment of Cotton and Linen Clunys, Irish Crochet, Venise & Vals, in both edges & insertions to match to make the new jabots and Dutch collars.

German & French Val. Edges & Insertions to match; values up to 12 1-2c yard; special, 5c yard. Linen Torchon Edges & Insertions to match; special, 5c yard. Val. Edges & Insertions to match, 25c dozen.

Venise Allover, 18 inches wide, in white, ecru & cream; laces that sell regularly for \$1.25 yard, now 75c yard.

Others that are worth \$1.75 yard will be on sale to-morrow for \$1.40. 42-inch Nets, in white, cream & ecru, all new & effective designs; special, 48c yard.

Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, Sizes 18, \$8.48

Boys' Clothes of the Superior Kind

If you are seeking the most economical, longest wearing and the best quality Boys' Suits you should not overlook our garments. They are the best in the world for the prices. Durably made, perfect fitters, cleverly styled, the best fabrics and moderately priced.

Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, with an extra pair Bloomer Pants. They are in very durable mixtures, desirable patterns, well made and fit nicely; a \$5.00 value, for \$3.98

We are offering this season the Best Boys' Knickerbocker Suits ever produced for \$4.98; well-made garments, that fit like they were made to order; your choice of blue serges and a large selection of stylish mixtures \$4.98

Children's Spring Reefers, perfectly tailored, velvet collars, pretty emblems on the sleeves. They embrace a choice selection of blue serges, golf red, tan coverts and novelties. Positively \$5.00 Coats; special for \$3.48

Boys' Blouse Waists, with collars attached, blue chambrays and khaki, sizes 6 to 14 years; 50c values; special 29c

Boys' Regulation Army Khaki Knickerbocker Pants, as tough as leather; worth \$1.50; special for 98c

Boys' Khaki Bloomer Pants, sizes 3 to 8—75c values, for 48c

Men's Neglige Shirts, made of special quality percales, madras and blue chambrays; full fashioned, nicely laundered, attached and detached cuffs; regular 75c values; special 48c